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1. TURKS' RES FORWARDED REFTEL IS OBVIOUS EFFORT TO OBTAIN UN APPROVAL OF THEIR RESUMPTION OF POPPY CULTIVATION, SIMPLY BECAUSE THEY ARE PLANNING TO USE POPPY STRAW PROCESS. IT IS ALSO EFFORT TO OBTAIN UN RES ENDORSING POPPY STRAW CULTIVATION AS EFFECTIVE MEANS OF CONTROL BEFORE EFFECTIVENESS IS PROVEN. AS MUCH, ANY ACTION ON THIS RES HAS IMPORTANT US DOMESTIC IMPLICATIONS. HOWEVER, IT IS ALSO EFFORT TO OBTAIN FINANCING FROM UN BODIES AND TURKS HAVE SAID THAT OP PARAS 4 AND 5, WHICH DEAL WITH FINANCING, ARE OF MOST IMPORTANCE TO THEM. MISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS ARE:

A. THAT WE ATTEMPT TO DELETE FROM PREAMBULAR PARA THE CONCEPT THAT PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES ARE AS MUCH OF A DANGER AS NARCOTIC DRUGS, WITHOUT DENYING THAT PSYCHOTROPIC
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SUBSTANCES DO POSE A DANGER.

B. THAT WE ACCEPT OP PARA 1

C. THAT, IF WE CANNOT DELETE OP PARA 2, WHICH SEEMS LIKELY, WE TRY TO AMEND IT TO STATE SIMPLY THAT WHERE POPPY PRODUCTION MUST BE UNDERTAKEN IT IS PREFERABLE TO USE UNINCISED POPPY CULTIVATION AND THE STRAW PROCESS, THAN THE TRADITIONAL INCISION OF THE POPPY POD, THEREBY AVOIDING GIVING TURKEY ANY KUDOS FOR RENEWING POPPY CULTIVATION.

D. WILL QUERY TURKS AS TO WHETHER THEY HAVE ANY OP PARA 3 WHICH MISSION FROM THIS TEXT.

E. THAT, WE ATTEMPT TO RE-WORD OP PARA 4 AS FOLLOWS:
"REQUESTS THE APPROPRIATE BODIES OF THE UN TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO ENABLE POPPY PRODUCING COUNTRIES TO INSTITUTE EFFECTIVE MEANS TO CONTROL ILLICIT TRAFFIC."

F. THAT WE RETAIN CONCEPT IN PARA 5, SUBJECT TO SPECIFIC WORDING FROM DEPT.

2. IF WE CAN OBTAIN ACCEPTABLE TEXT, MISSION RECOMMENDS CO-SPONSORSHIP.
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